

Town of Suffield



Minutes of the Fire Commission Meeting – April 9, 2014

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present: P. Barrett, P. Christian, G. Bland, Jerry Mahoney, R. Gemme and Chief Flynn.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary's Report

Christian moved, Mahoney seconded to approve the minutes of the March 11, 2014 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Financial Reports

Gemme moved, Mahoney seconded to approve the year to date financial reports. The motion passed unanimously.

Correspondence

A letter has been received from Lt. Carol Thibedeau indicating her retirement from the department effective immediately.

Public Comment

None

Calls & Activities

The Commission reviewed the report for March 2014.

Old Business

- Chief Flynn reported that one application had been received for the Assistant Chief posting, three applications were received for the Career Lieutenant posting, and seven for the volunteer Lieutenant posting. Closing date for applications had been last Friday. There was a discussion on the timeline for filling these positions.
- Engine 2 – No action.
- Mission Statement – The Chair distributed copies of the Board of Fire Commissioners Rules and Regulations. He asked the commissioners to review the information for the next meeting and be ready to discuss a Mission Statement for the Commission. Commissioner Bland will update the draft mission statements that he had previously prepared as needed from this new information.

- High School – Work continues on the pump house and the roof repair on the Large Animal Facility.

New Business

None

Vehicles, Facilities, Equipment

- All apparatus is up to date on maintenance.
- Stations are up to date on maintenance.

Other

Commissioner Bland thanked the Department for their participation in the wake and memorial service for Elaine O'Brien, Town Clerk and State Representative.

Personnel

Retirement of Carol Thibedeau effective immediately.

Fire Marshal Report

Updated information on last month's Sheldon Street house fire.

Executive Session

Mahoney moved, Christian seconded to enter Executive Session at 7:35 p.m.

A personnel matter was discussed.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald Bland
Secretary

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